

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS  
DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT NUMBER W8 3694(I)

TO: The Honorable Delbert Hosemann  
Secretary of State  
Post Office Box 136  
Jackson, MS 39205  
AND  
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on April 21, 2009, under authority of Section 25-43-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, made known its intent to adopt the following wildlife management area regulations for the 2009-10 hunting year. This was done under authority of Sections 49-5-13 and 49-7-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

**Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W7 3694 is hereby repealed, and the following 2009-10 wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.**

**2009-2010 Regulations for  
Muscadine Farms Wildlife Management Area**

**Muscadine Farms Tract  
Washington County**

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
SEPTEMBER TEAL - PERMIT ONLY	See Federal Regulations.		See SEPTEMBER TEAL HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
WATERFOWL - PERMIT ONLY - Except for youth waterfowl hunts, and the post season Light Goose Conservation Order.	See Federal Regulations.		See WATERFOWL HUNTING PERMITS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
POST SEASON LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER	Open after waterfowl season. See Federal Regulations.		
WATERFOWL YOUTH HUNT	Open concurrent with statewide season.		
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	See Federal Regulations.		See OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
TRAPPING	Feb. 1	Feb. 28	
OTHER MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS: All other migratory game birds may be hunted in assigned units while on permitted waterfowl hunts during the legal season for the species. After the regular waterfowl season, migratory game birds may be hunted daily on the WMA during the legal season for that species.			
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.			

Washington and Po-Lutken Tracts  
Washington County

Washington County

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
RABBIT	Oct. 17	Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 2	Sep. 24	Friday nights only.
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1	Feb. 28	
QUAIL	Nov. 26	Mar. 6	
WOODCOCK	See Federal Regulations.		
NO OTHER SEASON shall be open and no other animals shall be hunted or disturbed.			

**SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR MUSCADINE FARMS WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
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**WMA USER PERMIT:** All persons using this wildlife management area, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license, must carry on their person an annual statewide Wildlife Management Area User Permit. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

**BAG LIMITS:** Same as statewide bag limits.

**PERMIT STATIONS:** All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card from a self-service permit station. Parts A and B of this permit must be legibly filled out before using the WMA. Part A of the permit must be deposited in the return box at a permit station before using the WMA. Part B must be displayed on the dash of the vehicle so that the name, address, and date are visible from outside the vehicle. Permits are invalid if not properly dated or if date has been changed. Before leaving the WMA, visitors must complete the reverse side of Part B of the permit and deposit it in the return box at a permit station. It is the responsibility of the Area Manager and other Agency personnel to have permit cards completed.

**LEGAL WEAPONS:** Legal weapons for small game hunting (excluding waterfowl) during daylight hours are shotguns using #2 shot or smaller, rifles or handguns no larger than .22 rimfire magnum, muzzleloading rifles .40 caliber or smaller, and archery equipment using arrows with points other than broadheads.

**SEPTEMBER TEAL HUNTING PERMITS:** September teal hunting is allowed by special permit only. Hunters may apply for permitted September teal hunts on no more than 3 WMAs statewide during the 2009-10 season. You may apply online at [www.mdwfp.com](http://www.mdwfp.com), or to receive an application, send a self-addressed, stamped, letter size envelope to District III Field Office, Attn.: Muscadine Farms WMA September Teal Hunts, 506 Hwy 43 South, Canton, MS 39046. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Completed applications must be received by Aug. 15, 2009 to be eligible for drawing. Hunters who provide an e-mail address will be notified by e-mail if drawn. Hunters who are selected and do not provide an e-mail address will be notified by mail.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING PERMITS:** All waterfowl hunts, except for the waterfowl youth hunts, and the post season light goose conservation order, are draw hunts only. Hunters may apply for permitted waterfowl hunts on no more than 3 WMAs statewide during the 2009-10 season. You may apply online at [www.mdwfp.com](http://www.mdwfp.com), or to receive an application, send a self-addressed, stamped, letter size envelope to MDWFP District III Field Office, Attn.: Muscadine Farms WMA Waterfowl Hunts, 506 Hwy 43 South, Canton, MS 39046. Only one application per hunter will be accepted. Completed applications must be received by Nov. 1, 2009 to be eligible for drawing. Hunters who provide an e-mail address will be notified by e-mail if drawn. Hunters who are selected and do not provide an e-mail address will be notified by mail.

**DOG RESTRICTIONS:** Retrievers allowed during waterfowl hunts on Muscadine Farms Tract. All other dogs prohibited on Muscadine Farms Tract. On Washington and Po-Lutken Tracts, small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. Hog hunting with dogs is prohibited.

**OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs:** Off-road motorized vehicles/ATVs prohibited. No vehicles allowed on levees.

**HORSES:** No horses allowed.

**CAMPING:** No camping allowed.

**SHOOTING HOURS:** Waterfowl shooting hours end at 12:00 noon.

**BEARS:** Black bears may occur on this WMA. They are federally protected as a threatened subspecies. Hunting or disturbing bears is prohibited. Please report any bear sightings on your daily visitor use permit.

**CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36,** will be enforced. For additional information, contact the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers at (601) 631-5000.



Anyone wishing to comment on the above proposed action may do so in writing to the Executive Director, Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, P. O. Box 451, Jackson, MS 39205, no later than May 21, 2009.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY:

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John C Stanley IV, Chairman

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

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Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director